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After obtaining a Master of Education degree in Special Education in the United States in 1980, she taught in Aruba, Saba and is currently teaching at the Humanistic School in Papiamentu on the island of Curaçao.

Her short story "The Statia Bull" won a Consular Literary Award for the Antillean Story 1990 in Curaçao.

LINDA'S ROAD

For the past thirty odd years, Linda has walked the steepy roads daily. Barefoot in the heat of the Caribbean sun she has been selling her vegetables in order to survive. On this particular Saturday she is the controversial center of attention of the one thousand island inhabitants. A road will be officially named after her.

For this very special ceremony Linda chooses to wear shoes but, no earrings. The last time she wore earrings was forty years ago before she gave away the only pair she had.

Little does her unsuspecting simple mind know that she will find them tonight.